

There's No Place Like Home

"Somewhere Over The Rainbow"

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1. The _____.

Somewhere over the rainbow, way up high, there's a land that I heard of once in a lullaby.

2. The _____.

Somewhere over the rainbow, bluebirds fly. Birds fly over the rainbow. Why then, oh why can't I? If happy little bluebirds fly beyond the rainbow why, oh why can't I?

3. The _____.

Someday I'll wish upon a star and wake up where the clouds are far behind me.

First Natural Response to conflict in the family

- Temptation to ignore _____.

'Negative feelings that get buried have a high rate of resurrection!'

- Ignore
- Denial
- Anxiety
- Frustration
- Silence
- Separation
- Anger

"But the wisdom from above is *pure* first of all; it is also *peaceful, gentle, and friendly*; it is full of *compassion* and produces a harvest of good deeds; it is free from prejudice and hypocrisy. And goodness is the harvest that is produced from the seeds the peacemakers plant in peace." **James 3:17-18.GNB**

4. The _____.

Somewhere over the rainbow, skies are blue, and the dreams that you dare to dream really do come true.

- Wait _____.

"But those who wait on the LORD will find new strength. They will fly high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint."

Isaiah 40:31.NLT

- Approach with _____.

“Why do you notice the little piece of dust in your friend’s eye, but you don’t notice the big piece of wood in your own eye?” **Luke 6:41-42.NCV**

Be more passionate about changing yourself than your spouse or child.

- Are you aware of your flaws?
- Are you aware of your hot buttons?
- _____.

“Anyone who answers without listening is foolish and confused.” **Proverbs 18:13.NCV**

Are you aware of your negative emotional responses? I wish I could respond more positively by:

- Remaining in control of my emotions.
- Controlling my mouth.
- Being more open to criticism or criticizing in a more constructive manner.
- Being more prayerful.
- _____.

“My dear brothers and sisters, always be willing to listen and slow to speak. Do not become angry easily, because anger will not help you live the right kind of life God wants.” **James 1:19-20.NCV**

- Respond with_____.

“But I keep working toward that day when I will finally be all that Christ Jesus saved me for and wants me to be.” **Philippians 3:12-14.NLT**

Next Steps

1. Join Love and Respect Group August 3rd.
2. Marriage mentoring.
3. Make the decision to invest differently in your spouse or children. Will you...
 - Plan dates with your spouse?
 - Budget time with your children?
 - _____?
4. Improve your skills; read more.

Resources:

‘Boundaries in Marriage’ by Dr Henry Cloud.
‘7 Secrets of Successful Families’ by Jimmy Evans
Realrelationships.com